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In re Patent Application of:  
Johannes Buettner et al.

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For: METHOD FOR EXTRACTING  
NITROCRESOLS FROM WASTE WATER  
PRODUCED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF  
MONONITROTOLUENE AND USE OF SAID  
EXTRACT

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Examiner: Rene Yate Cutliff

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated February 5, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Discussion of the Amendments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.